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Dear Mary,

Your interesting letter of the 5th arrived today. I do not recall LEO and the use of the name Dittell, but what you do with it seems much more reasonable to me than it might with most. In doing my own checking on the Oswald records, as in his pocket notebooks, I found a simple code. In N.O., that is, for example, he had "David Crawford" in his book, when he meant David Chandler. But had he gone to the States office, there'd have been no doubt or confusion, Chandler being the only one close to that. He had 117 Camp, which is the business of a courteous, old-school gentleman, Gemelli, who rents formal attire. But, across the street is the old ITM and at the corner, almost next door, is the back door of the Cigali Bldg., in which Ronny Geire then had an office. Similarly on Canal, where he had a non-existent address, 10326. This is so close to so many of his activities of so little federal interest. Were one to conjecture, it could be a meeting place, a rendezvous.

Your work was very clever. Have you any tentative conclusions based on it? The coincidence with Voshinin is fascinating. His Arlington, Va., address is 6631 Wakefield Drive and his phone is 768, 44064.

Jimmy Robinson: I do not have the NSRP leaflet saying Garrison was going to drag him in nor the postcard. Neither is vital, but I would like to have them. I have the Fields 1/69 newsletter in which he says Robinson was the first man picked up, my interest. You will see this in COUP. If you do not have it and want it, my copy was posted up in the master copy, but I can get another for you. You mention Thunderbolt (no point in my subscribing-they'd not send it) and Councillor. I'd be interested in anything you see in either on King/Ray. Lil subscribed to Councillor in her maiden name. We've got a single issue and no response to letters asking where it is.

Penn's book: others have told me it is out. He has cast me out of his special world, so I've heard nothing about it or from him. Al Newman has a book coming out in March, advertised as the definitive thing, under the Potter (Brener) imprint, also to be distributed by Crown (very good distribution). Interestingly, an editor at Crown wanted them to do WHITEWASH in the late winter 1964-5, about February-March, but the top brass would not touch the subject on that side. Also interesting, a gentleman of exactly this name talked another publisher, who was then ready and anxious, out of doing WW toward the end of 1965 when they gave it to him for a reading, their staff knowing him and considering him an expert on this subject. He told them it was a bunch of s---, so they didn't do it. I therefore have certain expectations not consistent with the ad. It will be a \$10.00 book. Frankly, I'm sick when I consider the potential of Forgive My Grief III, from my recent contact with Penn and the lack of it.

That Goldonna Jack Martin and the call from Dallas that caused Rice to go there have long fascinated me. I think I have this in the appendix to O in NO. Except for age, the two Jack Martins are so alike and the one we know was that day in N.O., having been pistol-whipped by Banister and there is a hospital record to prove it. You know that is not his real name. If you are interested in his background, I have a little on it. Name Suggs, criminal record, etc. Even a wild tape of an phone conversation he had with Regis Kennedy (who was cool). Jack did have an ONI connection in Washington. I've forgotten their name and his office phone number. They were in a book stolen from my motel room in N.O. 4/68. ...The O'leary thong of which you write to Paul is foreign to me... It is not saying much to say that Bob Richter of CBS tried to check this Goldonna thing out and got nowhere. But he did... What I have on Klaus and the Minutemen thing which which he was suspected of connection is in the appendix to COUP. You can get it there if you do not have it. I'll have it done soon. Best,